

October 29, 2020

The Honorable Edgardo Ramos United States District Court Southern District of New York 40 Foley Square New York, NY 10007

Re: Christa McAuliffe Intermediate School PTO, Inc. v. Bill De Blasio, 18 CV11657 (ER)(OTW)

Your Honor:

We represent Plaintiffs in the above-referenced case, but write on behalf of both Plaintiffs and Defendants. The parties write to request an amendment to the Civil Case Discovery Plan and Scheduling Order that the Court approved on October 4, 2019 (Doc. 116). The scheduled end of Phase I discovery in this case is Friday, October 30, 2020. However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, production has slowed and the parties have not been able to meet many of the deadlines or estimates set forth in the October 4, 2019, scheduling order. Plaintiffs and Defendants therefore mutually request that the scheduling order be amended to reflect the end of Phase I discovery on March 1, 2021.

Most notably, Defendants' production of the individual student data for the 2020 admissions cycle was estimated to be produced this past May, but (due to COVID-19) was not produced until early July. As a result, Plaintiffs' expert report was not due until August 24, and Defendants' expert report has not yet been produced. This has rendered it impossible for the parties to complete discovery, including expert discovery and depositions, by October 30. Additionally, Defendants' production of documents responsive to Plaintiffs' Second Set of Requests for Production is not yet complete, and the parties have a mutual understanding that Plaintiffs may seek to depose one or more officials based on these documents.

For these reasons, the parties propose the following deadlines:

Plaintiffs' expert witness to be deposed by December 31, 2020.

Defendants' expert report to be served by November 30, 2020.

Any Requests for Production related to Defendants' Expert Report to be served by <u>December 7</u>, 2020.

Defendants' expert witness to be deposed by <u>45 days</u> after responses to Requests for Production related to Defendants' Expert Report.

All documents responsive to Plaintiffs' Second Set of Request for Production to be produced by December 1, 2020.

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All fact discovery (including non-expert depositions) to be completed by March 1, 2021.

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